

# A nation pauses to remember a leader

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Next week marks the 20th anniversary of the assassination of President John Kennedy. For many faculty and non-faculty students the moment of Kennedy's death is indelibly embedded in their consciousness and still strikes a personal chord. But for students who were either too young to remember the tragic event, or were not even born when Kennedy was president, the temptation may well be to ask why the fuss and bother. Historians and political scientists differ in their views of the Kennedy presidency. In terms of tangible accomplishments, his

administration was probably at best, above average. The Peace Corps may be his best-known program, but it hardly places him on the mantle of presidential greatness. The Kennedy who led us through the Cuban Missile Crisis also led us into the Bay of Pigs and into Vietnam. In domestic affairs, he was not the master of legislation as was Lyndon Johnson. In foreign policy, his success did not rival that of Richard Nixon.

But in spite of their accomplishments, both Johnson and Nixon left the White House a tarnished office, and perhaps more to their detriment, they left a bitter taste in the mouths of many Americans for politics and the presidency. In com-

parison Kennedy, for all his flaws or failures, elevated the American presidency to a plateau not since, and probably not reached except for the presidencies of Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Franklin Roosevelt.

For college students who have grown up with Watergate, Vietnam, and the well-intentioned but uninspired presidencies of Ford and Carter, it may be hard to imagine a time when the hero of American youth was neither a rock star nor a professional athlete, but instead the President of the United States. At the peak of his popularity, Kennedy may have been idolized by more young Americans than either Elvis Presley or Mickey Mantle.

Kennedy helped turn a whole generation on to politics. He inspired students not to shun government, but to seek it out as a career. He instilled the belief that a government was not some bureaucratic albatross, but a force for positive good. Students came to believe that effort and aptitude would be rewarded, that those who cared could change society, the economy, and government for the better.

Critics of Kennedy point out that his presidency was more characterized by symbols than by substance, that his rhetoric was greater than his performance. But in politics symbols often are substance, and in fact the President's role as symbolic leader may often be more im-

portant than that of either Chief Legislator or Chief Executive. Symbolic leadership, if used effectively, can mold and shape recalcitrant public opinion and can move a people as a nation to reach for greater heights, to turn in directions to which they might otherwise not be steered. Kennedy changed the mental outlook of the American electorate from the passive, me-first "Happy Days" attitude of the 50's to the positive I-care attitude of the 60's.

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## Closing reports are misleading

By Daphne Massa

Recent reports of the possible closing of colleges and universities in Missouri have been misleading. According to Sen. Richard Webster (R-Carthage), "There is no possibility" of this occurring.

He said that everyone is asking why the subject was brought up again this year. Webster explained that "there was a 32-page document, Senate Committee Report, and attached to that report was an eight-page document. This was not approved by the Senate Committee. It did have the signatures of two committee members—it was not approved by the others."

Within this eight-page document were 21 recommendations, which included: limiting all funds for vocational rehabilitation; consolidation of educational institutions; eliminating all aid to county fairs; eliminating all support of hazardous waste programs; eliminating all support for safety programs; eliminating all funds for Missouri Council of the Arts; closing all tourist information centers; eliminating aid from prevention of mental retardation programs; reducing aid to families with dependent children by 50 per cent; and closing all sheltered workshops.

"Why one of 21 suggestions was picked out [by the media], I don't know," said Webster.

Anthony Kassab, vice president of Southern's Board of Regents, is "not really concerned about the closings. It is preposterous to think they would dare do anything about Missouri Southern."

"Our college is outstanding and is one of the lowest cost and most effi-

cient in the state. I don't think the legislators would consider [closing or merging Southern]," added Kassab.

Reports have also appeared in Kansas concerning the closing and merging of colleges and universities.

"Discussion has been highlighted in the legislative circles for a number of years," said Stan Koplik, executive director of the Kansas Board of Regents.

Kansas has six four-year public universities. "Some feel we could do just as well with fewer," Koplik said.

Reports singled out Emporia State University as the most likely university to close.

Over the last two years there has been a six to seven per cent decrease in enrollment at Emporia.

"No other institution has had that significant of a decline," he said. Koplik added, "If we close one college the students will disperse to other colleges, thus causing the other colleges to need more funds." But the additional funding to the other colleges, "would be significantly less than the \$15 million of state appropriated funds to Emporia. It is clearly not the same cost to maintain Emporia" as it is to fund the other colleges.

Closing a college would take at least four years. Koplik said it would be a "phase out." However, he feels that Emporia "will not close" because "it's not a good idea."

Merging institutions would save the state money in the long run since the total cost that would be allocated to the other colleges would not add up to the total it takes now to fund Emporia, but merging "is not a good idea," said Koplik.

## Reynolds Hall could benefit

Missouri's General Assembly is considering stepping up by \$100 million the issuance of bonds in connection with the \$500 million bond issue passed by voters in 1982. And Southern may profit by an additional \$1 million.

Missouri Gov. Christopher Bond called the legislators into special session in October, recommending a \$250 million bond issuance and a one-fourth cent increase in the state sales tax. Although not much progress has been made concerning the increase of the state sales tax, a proposal to issue \$350 million in bonds seems to be progressing through the legislative process.

Last week Rep. Robert Ellis Young (R-Carthage) introduced a measure to the House Appropriations Committee that would enable Missouri Southern to step up its plans for the Phase I addition to Reynolds Hall.

Originally, recommendations from both the governor and Missouri's Coordinating Board for Higher Education listed Southern for \$76,000 in planned monies for the Reynolds Hall work. Young's proposal includes \$1,443,000 for "design and construction" of Phase I.

This measure includes some \$400,000 in local funds. Dr. Julio Leon, president of Missouri Southern, explained that this \$400,000 would come

from "plant reserves" and other sources outside the operating budget.

A feasibility study prepared for the college offered three options for adding to the existing structure. As plans are being made to move ahead with the project (in case state appropriations are received), plans are to proceed with the option that includes adding two sections to the north side of Reynolds Hall.

This option will add 19,406 square feet to the building. The total cost of making the additions and renovating existing portions of Reynolds Hall is estimated at \$2,941,161. This includes construction cost and professional fees which relate to the architectural design and then adjusting those designs to meet engineering specifications.

Dr. Leon explained that the cost of the new additions and the renovation of the existing building is higher than other buildings because Reynolds includes laboratory facilities.

Plans will be ahead by nearly one year if the House appropriations bill is passed with the new figure for "design and construction" of Phase I for Reynolds Hall.

"If that [Young's alteration to the appropriations bill] becomes successful," said Leon, "in essence what you gain is one year."



Baker photos

Dr. Judy Conboy

## Judy Conboy returns

Some 50 people applauded Dr. Judy Conboy Friday afternoon after she arrived by airplane at the Joplin Municipal Airport.

Conboy, head of the social sciences department, returned to Joplin after spending eight months recovering from injuries received in an automobile accident March 18.

She was greeted at the airport by her family and a large banner saying, "Welcome Home Judy! from MSSC." Said Conboy, "Well, I'm glad you all could make it. Maybe

we should have a party." She then entertained the crowd with a "wheelie," and said, "I can even dance in this thing."

Conboy received many hugs from friends and several bouquets of flowers. She chatted with the gathering for several minutes.

Conboy plans to return to Southern for the spring semester to teach a class on minority groups. She also hopes to resume her duties as head of the department.

## Assembly considers sales tax

By Barb Fullerton

Transportation sales bills that are being considered in the Missouri legislature's special session in Jefferson City will determine area cities' authority on the permanent tax which expires Dec. 31.

Joplin voters in April endorsed the tax, adding one-half cents for transportation purposes as part of a city council plan to eliminate several city taxes. Without the tax, Joplin would be in dangerous financial trouble.

"This tax eliminates the real estate tax, property tax, intangible tax, vehicle city tax, and the one cent sale tax on utility bills," said Joplin Mayor Don Goetz.

"It's very important that this is passed because the city is looking for a source for revenue lost due to the number of taxes eliminated."

Each year with the bill, Joplin will receive \$1.6 million dollars for transportation programs.

Sen. Roger Wilson (D-Columbia) wanted to make the tax permanent. "It is useful to the community. We want to pass it by the vote of the people. The governed body can repeal it anytime they wish," he said.

In the special session which began Oct. 19, there are five bills to be passed. "They are filed to extend the deadline or meet the deadline," said Nancy Vessel, press secretary for Gov. Christopher Bond.

House Bill No. 9 which deals with the transportation tax was preliminarily approved the end of October.

Passing the extending bill eliminates the need to ask the General Assembly every year for an extension.

This September the transportation tax produced over \$140,000 for Joplin. The city will lose the new revenue if the state legislature does not renew it. If it is not passed, Joplin might have to lay off 20 per cent of 75 city workers and this will reduce service to the community.

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## Professors using monies for heat pump

Monies recently appropriated by the Faculty Development Committee are being used by Dr. Philip Whittle, professor of chemistry, and Dr. Russel Phillips, professor of physics, to complete the ground system heat pump they have been working on for three years.

The principle for the heat pump was first introduced in 1852 by Lord Kelvin, a pioneer in physics. Only in the last 40 years has this concept moved out of the laboratory and into practical application.

Work on the alternative energy sources was started in 1973 by the Missouri Southern Chapter of Chi Epsilon Phi.

"We were interested in alternative energy sources. People were concerned about energy costs," said Dr. Whittle.

They were given permission to use the small building that had been the

bath house for the estate swimming pool. The roof repairs, lighting, insulation and the removal of partitions prepared the building which has become known as the Solar Energy Research Laboratory. Much of the funds for their remodeling came from an earlier Faculty Research Grant from the development committee.

Other funds have been acquired through student involvement. There have been 3-10 students involved in the project each year. These students have worked at concession stands during home games to earn money for the project and have they also helped with labor on the project. Student Senate also appropriated funds for the project.

"We are taking heat out of the ground," said Whittle.

The most common heat pump systems are air to air and their efficiency decreases as the outside

temperature decreases.

"There are two advantages to our ground system heat pump. One, the soil below the frost line (three or four feet down) remains 55-57 degrees the year round. The other is that we are circulating freon through the ground system instead of water," Phillips explained.

"The heat in the ground is absorbed by the freon as the freon boils. This phase change, from liquid to vapor, involves a tremendous amount of energy transfer. The advantage of this system is that one does not have to pay for the extra energy needed to pump water through the ground as in other ground to air heat pump systems," added Phillips.

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# Transportation

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The transportation sales tax was first proposed in November of last year but was rejected by Joplin voters by 4,287 to 6,365 because there were negative feelings and few seemed to understand it.

Then in April it was passed and the city has a new revenue source and began collecting July 1.

"It will not increase the revenue, but we are not changing programs," said Goetz. "This will reduce operational costs of the city. And at this time we are not interested in adding new programs. This is a better taxation for Joplin and the system is easy to administer."

In Joplin, the businesses pay sales tax as well as the transportation tax. Residents do not pay tax on water, gas,

or electricity but on cable television and telephones.

Other cities included in this sales tax are Cartersville, Columbia, Excelsior Springs, O'Fallon, St. Peters, Perryville and St. Roberts.

Everytime there is a renewal, disagreement arises whether the authorization for out-state cities could be separated from the St. Louis area. These bills are part of the area and smaller cities in separate statutes.

If the renewal is used, St. Louis could get some accountability from the Bi-State tax and handle their taxes in separation in another bill. This would make the bill for Joplin and Columbia areas permanent. It also permits St. Louis to keep tight rein on Bi-State taxes.

Sen. Edwin Dirk-D, Columbia, proposed this plan and another plan to require two per cent of the transportation sales tax in St. Louis to help transport retarded and handicapped people to sheltered workshops in the St. Louis area. This is about \$750,000 annually.

"No other area is effected by it. There are 400 people on the waiting list. Only 800 have been transported so far," Dirk said.

"The changes made this year make Joplin a desirable place to live," said Goetz. "Taxes in Joplin are low compared to most cities. Our major goal is the new program. Taxes are on what is generated and what is bought, not on what people own."

# Heat pump

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Phillips told of the coefficient of performance (COP) of a heat pump as defined by the ratio of the amount of heat put into a house divided by the amount of electrical energy needed to run the system.

"If one is using electrical resistance heating for a home," he said "the COP is one. That is, for every BTU of electrical energy used one gets one BTU of heat energy delivered to the home."

"With the heat pump system we hope to have a COP of eight, that is, for every BTU of electrical energy used we hope to transfer eight BTU's of heat energy into the home."

Anything at a temperature above absolute zero (-460 degrees F) contains thermal energy; the higher the temperature, the more thermal energy is available for man's use. The heat pump works like a refrigerator—removing heat from one place and putting it someplace else.

The compressor increases the pressure of the freon vapor and this increases the temperature of the vapor—this high temperature vapor is then sent through a heat exchange system through which the air in a home is circulated. As the hot vapor

loses its heat to the circulating air it condenses back to a liquid and is sent back out in the ground again at a reduced pressure.

Two years ago a commercial air conditioner was donated by Gerald Hood, a local business man. Since then a small compressor was purchased. Funds have once again been approved by the development committee which will provide an open compressor rather than a sealed one.

The open compressor will allow much more flexibility for the project, Whittle explained, since it can be operated at variable horsepower. Variable horsepower will be beneficial in compiling the necessary statistics to evaluate the research.

"I plan to put one in my home, as soon as we have the 'bugs' out of our system on campus," said Whittle.

He thinks that an adequate ground heat system could be installed in a home with an existing furnace and duct work for about \$1,500, not including labor.

There are no packaged components available for home installations at this time which is a disadvantage. Both Whittle and Phillips believe that this

packaging of units will eventually be possible.

When asked what effect this project would have on the college, Whittle replied, "I don't know whether there will ever be a building on campus using ground heat recovered by this method, but the advancement in technology will be worthwhile."

But he added, "It shows an involvement on the part of Missouri Southern in current energy concerns."

Whittle believes that the experience broadens the perspective of the students associated with the project—many are pre-engineers.

"There are problems with this system," said Whittle.

"We have placed our heat exchange tubing in concrete for better heat transfer. We hope the concrete will protect the tubing from corrosive components in the soil."

"You have to have the land for burying the tubing," said Phillips.

"Personally I don't have good hard data, but there is a real potential. We are interested in it because of the potential of easing the burden of expensive energy," Phillips said.



Marvin Swingle and Dennis M. Sutton, industrial instructor, repair a mitre box saw for woodwork.

# Stress topic of seminar tonight

Dr. Frank Lahmen, director of the Wellness Program at St. John's Regional Medical Center, will conduct a stress seminar tonight at 7 p.m. in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center.

The seminar was organized by the Student Senate, Student Services, and the physical education department, in order to explain and define stress to

students.

Doug Carnahan, assistant dean of students, said, "In surveys across the country, stress has been named as number one problem to students in college."

Lahmen will also explain ways to combat stress and some of the benefits of stress.

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# Elevator installation awaiting Spiva roof repairs

Repairs to the roof of the Spiva Art Center began Friday in preparation for the installation of an elevator.

Installation of the elevator is part of an accessibility project for the handicapped. Drilling for the shaft for the elevator is expected to begin sometime this week.

According to Howard Dugan, direc-

tor of physical plant, the construction company did not want to start work on the elevator until the roof was fixed.

"The project is ahead of schedule at this point," said Chuck Killinger, Killinger Construction Company. "It is a lengthy procedure to install an elevator. I expect the work to be completed on schedule, probably the latter

part of February."

Other improvements in the accessibility project include Braille elevators, the building of ramps, and installation of six doors.

"We have spent all but a few hundred dollars of the money appropriated for the handicapped," said Dugan.

# Kennedy

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Symbolically, John Kennedy projected the image of the President that Americans wished the office to be. Intelligent, industrious, a product of an immigrant, Catholic family, Kennedy personified the American work ethic. At the same time, Kennedy, with his Harvard education, his Boston accent, and his glamorous wife, fulfilled our perhaps hidden yearning for an American aristocracy. Regardless of their politics or their party, most Americans like having Kennedy as their President. Kennedy as President made us feel proud as a country and made us feel good about ourselves. Our feelings seemed to be shared by our Western allies. European and Latin American countries alike appeared

glad to have the U.S. as the leader of the free world, and willing to accept Kennedy as Chief of State for the Western block.

The assassination of John Kennedy on Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas, Tex., was the death of Kennedy the man, but the birth of Kennedy the myth. His death elevated him to a status of near political deity, a position he likely would never have reached had he lived. Much of the Kennedy mystique may have been a carefully cultivated product of media hype, but so was that of luminaries such as Winston Churchill, Lincoln and Roosevelt. In revering Churchill for example, we tend to forget the colonialist who opposed the

independence of India, but we remember the inspirational leader whose rhetoric helped hold Britain together in the face of collapse at the depth of World War II. In Kennedy we forget the Bay of Pigs, but remember the symbolic inspirational leader who encouraged us to pursue excellence in the arts and humanities, who challenged us to explore space, and dared us to face our racial and religious prejudices.

Camelot may have been a mythical part of English history as well as the history of the American president, but not all mythology is bad. In the case of John F. Kennedy, the myth of the man who helped create it is worth pausing to remember.

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## Pronto changes policy about check-cashing

Pronto Enterprises has made some changes in the check-cashing policy at its store located on Duquesne Road in Missouri Southern.

The store, which has been under new ownership since Nov. 1, will basically follow the same policy of the previous owner, according to Dave Garrison, president of the company.

Although the company has a rule stating no checks can be cashed without a Pronto check-cashing card, the store near Southern is changing the policy.

"Our policy at that store is different," Garrison said. "We are making some exceptions due to the college kids. We will accept personal checks from out-of-town banks with a valid I.D., but we are requesting students to fill out a check-cashing card."

He said the card would be beneficial that students could use it to cash checks at other stores.

"We will also accept checks from students' parents," he said. "We will offer some losses, but we don't mind it for the Southern students."

The store has also added to its menu and done extensive remodeling.

According to Garrison, the store's mission is to serve the college.

"That's why the store is there," he said. "I'm a former alumni. We feel like we're part of the college, and we want to accommodate the students in any way we possibly can."

"The students are a big part of our business," said Crystal Taft, manager of the store. "We want to please them."

The store will continue to hire students from the college, Garrison said. "We have seven in our stores right now."

Carl Taylor, the previous owner of the store, is pleased with the job Pronto does.

"Pronto has been very good to me," Taylor said. "I would never bad-mouth them."

Garrison founded Pronto Enterprises in 1972 when he converted a service station on North Main Street into a convenience store. This store was one of the first of its type to have self-service gasoline.

Since that time, the number of stores has grown to 13. There are stores located in southwest Missouri, Arkansas, and Kansas.

"We're planning on expansion," Garrison said. "As far as exact numbers it is indefinite, but we hope to add one or two new stores a year."

## Substitution not possible

Substitution of a 298 or 498 course to meet a general education requirement is no longer possible without special permission.

Last year a policy was adopted to have departments get approval of the academic policy committee before offering 298- and 498-level classes.

Courses numbered 298 and 498 are reserved by most departments, with 298 courses being "special topics" courses, and 498 courses being senior seminar courses. The two course numbers have also been used by departments to test courses prior to including them in the college catalog as part of the regular curriculum.

"Those classes were proliferating too rapidly," said Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs. "In some cases general education classes are not offered and 298 and 498

classes were offered in their place."

It was felt there were not enough general education courses being offered, so the academic policy committee changed the policy.

Belk said the policy now states: "Before 298 and 498 classes can be offered, the syllabus must be offered to the academic policy committee for their approval. Only with their approval may 298 and 498 classes be printed in the class schedule."

Exceptions are made, according to Belk. "Missouri Southern is dedicated to serving the community in any way we can," he said. "We frequently have requests from the community to offer special courses. If there is not time for the academic policy committee to meet, the dean has the possibility to offer the course."

## Law professor first speaker

Robert Downs, professor of law at University of Missouri-Kansas City, was the first speaker of the year for the fourth annual Business and Economics Lecture Series.

Downs spoke to a group of about 100 students Nov. 10 on "Investment Tactics/Policies."

He said since Watergate, many persons believe more lawyers should concentrate on business.

Downs recommended an attorney just out of law school for setting up a business.

He described the limited number of ways to set up a business, including forming corporations, partnerships, and limited partnerships.

Downs compared costs, characteristics, and tax advantages and disadvantages of each of the three entities.

Downs also discussed tax shelters—how they work, what to avoid, and recommended real estate and equipment leasing companies as good tax shelters.

Downs, who is on the placement board at University of Missouri, explained how student applicants are selected. He described the job market for graduates as directly related to school performance.

He said Missouri compared favorably with other states concerning the time factor involved in forming a corporation.

## Secretary of the Week



Fullerton photo

Shirley Jiles

## She enjoys many hobbies

By Barb Fullerton

Shirley Jiles is a proud grandmother and the secretary for six years in the teacher education department at Missouri Southern.

"They haven't got rid of me yet, they will put up with me," said Jiles.

Jiles has worked for 10 years as a secretary for Alba elementary school in the Webb City School District.

She has lived there nearly all her life. At the age of 18 she went to California.

"There I married my 'Oldie' husband and we came back to Alba and we ran a store."

After they closed the store, she went to work at the elementary school.

They have two daughters, Robin and Melanie and three grandchildren.

Jiles' job consists of typing, correspondence, getting tests ready for students and copying assignments for students.

"It's a super bunch to work with and I couldn't ask for anything better," she said.

Jiles likes to fish, travel and bowl.

"I haven't made it to that 200 mark!" she said about her bowling.

She mostly travels to California to visit her relatives. She also teaches the toddler class at the Christian Church in Alba. She likes to read books and has begun reading Lorraine Steel's novels.

Jiles also likes to crochet.

"In time, I will do an afghan for each grandchild," she said.

Alba has a population of 600 and "that is counting the dogs and cats."

When she was young, excitement in her town was basketball games and watching the Boyer boys, who later played major league baseball. "Now we [Alba] have the Miner's Inn. It's a great place to eat."

"The students are very friendly here. This is a good teacher's education program. They seem to like me; I like them. I'm here to help them in anyway I can," said Jiles.

She says in the future Missouri Southern will grow. "Students realize they have to have a better education for jobs. It's an ideal place to work and very enjoyable," she said.

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# OPINION

## Teens, drunks not only dangers

Young teens and drunks are not the only dangerous persons driving on the nation's streets and highways today. Elderly persons operating motor vehicles often pose as much a threat to drivers as any other group.

While tougher laws against drunk drivers are being passed, we need to take a serious look at the problems facing drivers over age 65. It would be difficult to enact laws demanding driver's tests for senior citizens, but more organizations should be set up to enable elderly citizens to get where they need to go safely.

As humans age, many body functions slow down and as a result reactions become much slower. Another typical problem with old age is eyesight. It is difficult to safely operate a motor vehicle when a person cannot see what is on the road 20 yards ahead. The more dangerous elderly drivers should be kept off the road, and there should be some other mode by which they can commute to where they may need to go.

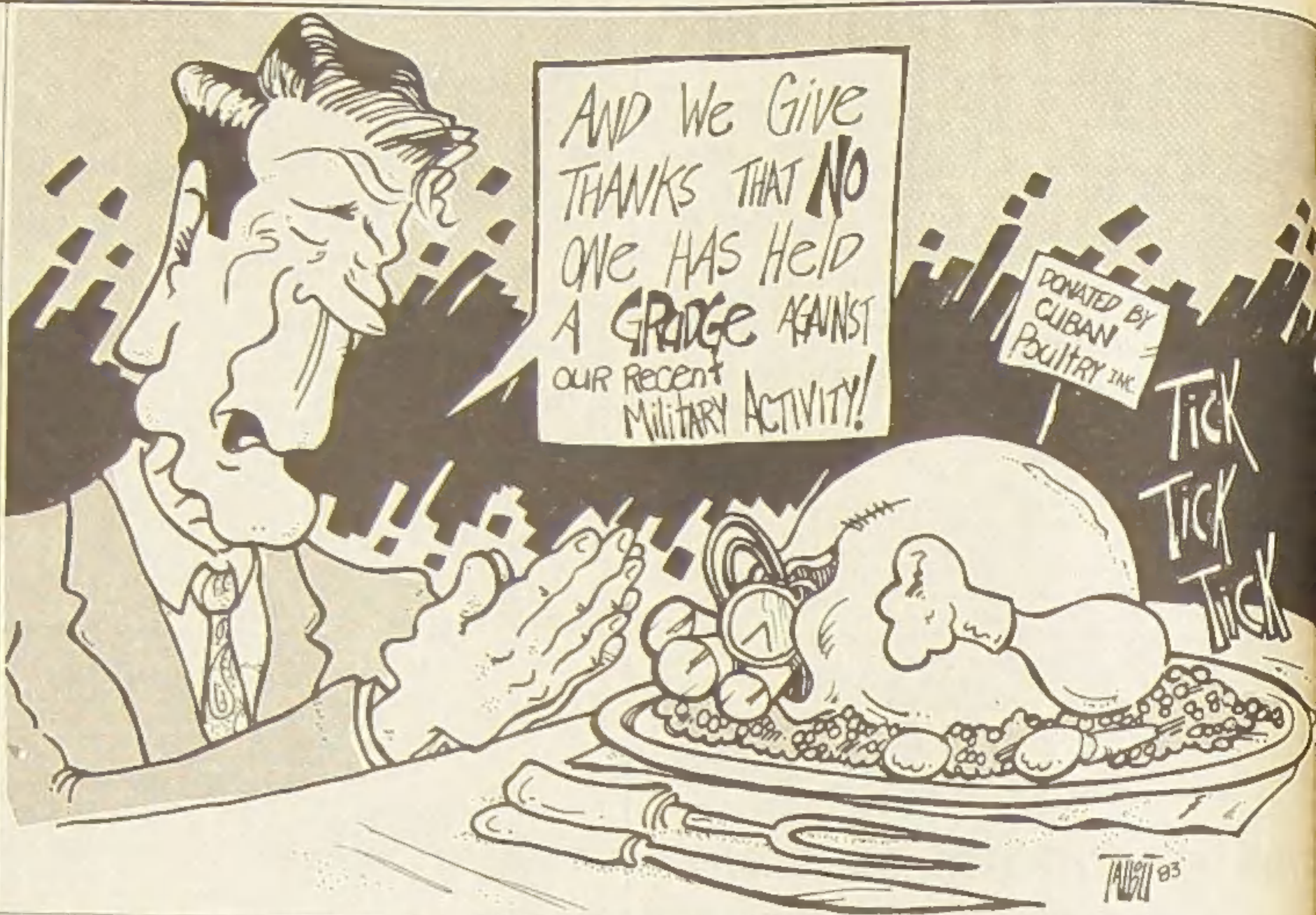
There are several organizations in Joplin designed to meet these needs. The Older Adult Transportation System (OATS) is a system of vans and busses that transport the elderly to various places in town. The organization has been in operation here for five years. It is funded through a combination of donations, personal labor, and state appropriations. In Joplin, OATS may provide services for up to 75 persons each week.

The Joplin Health Department also provides means by which senior citizens can be transported cheaply. The discount taxi program is in operation on Mondays and Fridays, and enables the elderly to go where they need by way of taxi. Through the use of coupon books sold by the department, older adults can get a discount on fares. This service has been provided for the past ten years, and is largely funded by federal revenue sharing money from the city of Joplin.

The American Association of Retired People is also doing its part to improve the driving skills of senior citizens. The association is sponsoring a defensive driving seminar next week at the Police Academy here at Southern. This project was just started, and though it now is only open to association members may in the future be open to the public. These classes will deal with proper vision, a written examination, and slides showing proper driving skills. The classes will meet from 1-4 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 25; and from 9-12 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 26.

In April, the Transportation Sales Tax was passed by Joplin voters. Funds from this tax are now filtering into some of these programs. Hopefully, these funds will enable existing programs to improve and expand the services they provide. Joplin will receive \$1.6-1.8 million annually from this tax, which is earmarked for use in transportation areas.

Even with these improvements, the problem still has not been solved, and may never be. Elderly people should know whether or not they are capable of driving. If they are not, services should be provided to enable them to get around safely.



### Editor's Column:

## Thanksgiving is a time for fellowship, sharing

By Barb Fullerton  
Associate Editor

Thanksgiving is a time for fellowship, eating turkey and pumpkin pie, and watching parades and football games.

But do people ever remember the real reason behind Thanksgiving? It is a time to share and be with family members and friends.

People must not forget the background of Thanksgiving. The Pilgrims and the Indians shared a fellowship together for the purpose of binding friendship and making compromises. It was to celebrate the first winter to learn how to survive in a new land, set up a government, and learn to support themselves, for they were the future for the United States of today.

Pilgrims came to America for religious freedom and from the money-hungry king of England. Prayer was an important part of Thanksgiving. The tradition picture always shows the Pilgrims dressed in gray clothes, setting up long tables piled with corn and

vegetables while the Indians, with their bows and arrows, brought and roasted the turkeys. They also introduced popcorn to the settlers.

Today, I can smell the aromas of the turkey cooking in the oven and wood burning in the fireplace at home. I can see homemade bread, cranberries, fluffy mashed potatoes and gravy, and sweet pumpkin pie sitting on the table. This year, to celebrate Thanksgiving, there will be only my mother, my two younger sisters, and myself.

Last Thanksgiving was my last time with my father. It was not wasted. We talked and made plans for the future without him. The television was not turned on and the day was spent in the company of each other. My brother came down from Tulsa, and my two sisters, mother, grandmother, and I had a peaceful but painful Thanksgiving together.

My father was dying of cancer. It was terrible to see him there, thin, wasting away. My mother and brother had to help him up from his chair because he had no strength; shaking

like a leaf on a stormy day. It's horrible to see one's father so sick and knowing that he would die any day.

He was young, 43, and he had supported us all his life. There were times when I hated him on decisions I thought were wrong. But he was human and parents make mistakes. He died three weeks later, at home, three days before Christmas.

Last year the holidays were dark, but this year we have to try to make it work out. Thanksgiving will be quiet and I know remember things that I have not thought about before. I think of my father often.

For others and over the years, the traditions of Thanksgiving dinner and family get-togethers have not changed, but the purpose of the day should not be forgotten. I know that in future Thanksgivings, the feeling I had before will be different. It will have a new meaning for me. Thanksgiving is a time to be thankful for what you have and memories that have pulled you through life and helped you grow.

### In Perspective:

## Music brings something unexpected each day

By Dr. Joe Sims, Head  
Department of Fine Arts

What is it like to be involved with the music department at MSSC? It is very interesting with each day bringing something unexpected. A call from someone who has a very old, and what they hope is valuable, string instrument and they want to bring it by for appraisal. A call from New York or California from an artist who will be going through Joplin between concerts and, for a reduced sum of \$650, would like to present a program at MSSC. A local resident at my door with their latest creation of an original song, requesting that it be sung, since it hasn't been heard, yet. A prospective student wanting to talk about majoring in music. A call from the program chairman of a local club or organization requesting musical entertainment. The telephone rings and a minister is

seeking assistance for an organist or a choir director for his church. A member of a church building committee secures me to meet with the ministers of his church to discuss the musical needs for the planned new sanctuary. A current student arrives to be advised about dropping a course, enrolling in future courses, or seeking extra help in a course. A faculty member drops by between classes to report a problem with equipment, or a need for purchasing music or equipment, or requesting permission to accept an assignment as a guest clinician or adjudicator somewhere in the four-state area, etc., etc. I do have a schedule for teaching classes and private lessons, established for each day, and of jobs to be done that have been set in priority by deadlines for completion.

There is a unique challenge to the job of administration, but my first love is teaching and

I find some difficulty in moving from one to the other with a feeling of efficiency and preparedness.

I am fortunate, as is the college, in that I have an outstanding group of six full-time and three part-time faculty. They are all hard-working, dedicated musicians and teachers. Since music education is our major thrust, they are all very much interested in the welfare of each student as to their own growth and development as well as their effectiveness with the students they are preparing to teach.

Each faculty member is preparing music students for performance either individually or in an ensemble. These efforts are shared for the public as follows:

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### Letters to the Editor:

## Nation not living up to Lincoln's statement

Tenscore and seven years ago, our forefathers set forth on this continent a new political ideology, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in numerous civil wars in lands far away, to prevent the spread of that same ideology throughout those lands. We fly our flags at half staff, and ship our soldiers' bodies home to a final resting place within our borders. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

But in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow, the deeds we have forced them to do. For their actions are very similar to

those of the foreign mercenaries who fought against our own revolution during the birth of these United States. The world will little note, nor long remember what I write here, but it will never forget what my nation is doing everywhere.

It is for us, the living and thoughtful, to be dedicated to the great task of stopping our own government, which has thoughtlessly become involved in a battle against democracy and for corporate interests, from continuing its anti-American activities in the Caribbean, Central America, and yes, the whole world. It is of utmost importance that we here highly resolve that those dead soldiers shall not

have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that the government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from this earth nor hinder the emergence of the same, wherever it might occur.

Mr. Lincoln, I'm sorry our nation has not lived up to the spirit of your original address. Perhaps this update will help to change the totalitarian course we are pursuing, but probably it won't. My sincerest apologies.

Ben Leavens

## Journalists biased in reporting of Grenada

This letter is in response to the way the nation's news media has been covering the events in Lebanon and Grenada. I would also like to comment on your editorial concerning the invasion of Grenada or the "power display" as you refer to it.

For several weeks the United States has been uncertain of the role that it should

play in both of these world "hot spots." Most Americans realize Communism's spread must be checked somewhere, somehow. Linger in the back of everyone's mind, however, are memories of a conflict that we were involved in back in the late 60's and early 70's. Now, everyone realized that we did not do the

job we went in to Vietnam to do. Our intentions were good but all we accomplished was the losing of thousands of lives. With the public in limbo as to what stance

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## The Chart

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# STERIODS

At PSU:

## Ortolani feels use of drug is wrong

By Barb Fullerton

Al Ortolani, sports trainer for Pittsburgh State University, feels the use of steroids is wrong for athletes in competition.

"I am against them. I have no reservations. I accept the medical expertise in the subject," he said.

Ortolani has worked as a trainer in high rating athletic events. He has primarily had contact with steroids through his 28 years of experience as an Olympic trainer. He was at the 1976 and 1980 Olympics, the Pan American Games, World Universal Games, and has been assigned to the United States' 1984 Olympic swimming team.

"Athletes use [steroids] to increase muscle bulk and to win competitions. A few years ago, a student here tried them for experimental purposes and within two or three months became gravely ill. Athletes must know the consequences. As a male, it is not worth it to me to take them. For a woman, there are cosmetic changes," Ortolani said.

The use of steroids could be psychological. "A study was done with four types of athletes. One group was put on steroids and a protein diet while the other group was put on 'steroids' which were really placebos. The second group could not notice the difference in the placebos.

"Some athletes take overdoses and abuse the drug. They want to see an increase in their muscles. If a doctor thought you needed steroids, he would keep you in periods of blood tests," said Ortolani.

At PSU, the coaches or trainers would never prescribe them. "I do not foster the idea of taking them. I don't know what we would do if an athlete was caught taking them. We would tell them about the side effects and encourage them to take blood tests. Whatever happens to that person, the coaches will decide. Within the NAIA boundaries, an athlete cannot be

eliminated. Recently I was asked to participate in an educational study for NAIA," he said.

"International athletes use only what they can take and are eliminated from competition. But it is not done at a local standard. There is no test. We hear of it by word of mouth or if the student gets sick," said Ortolani.

Ortolani cannot see the advantages of the drug enhancing athletic ability. "Another drug used in competition is caffeine. It doesn't cloud the mind and it increases stamina. This is outlawed in the Olympics."

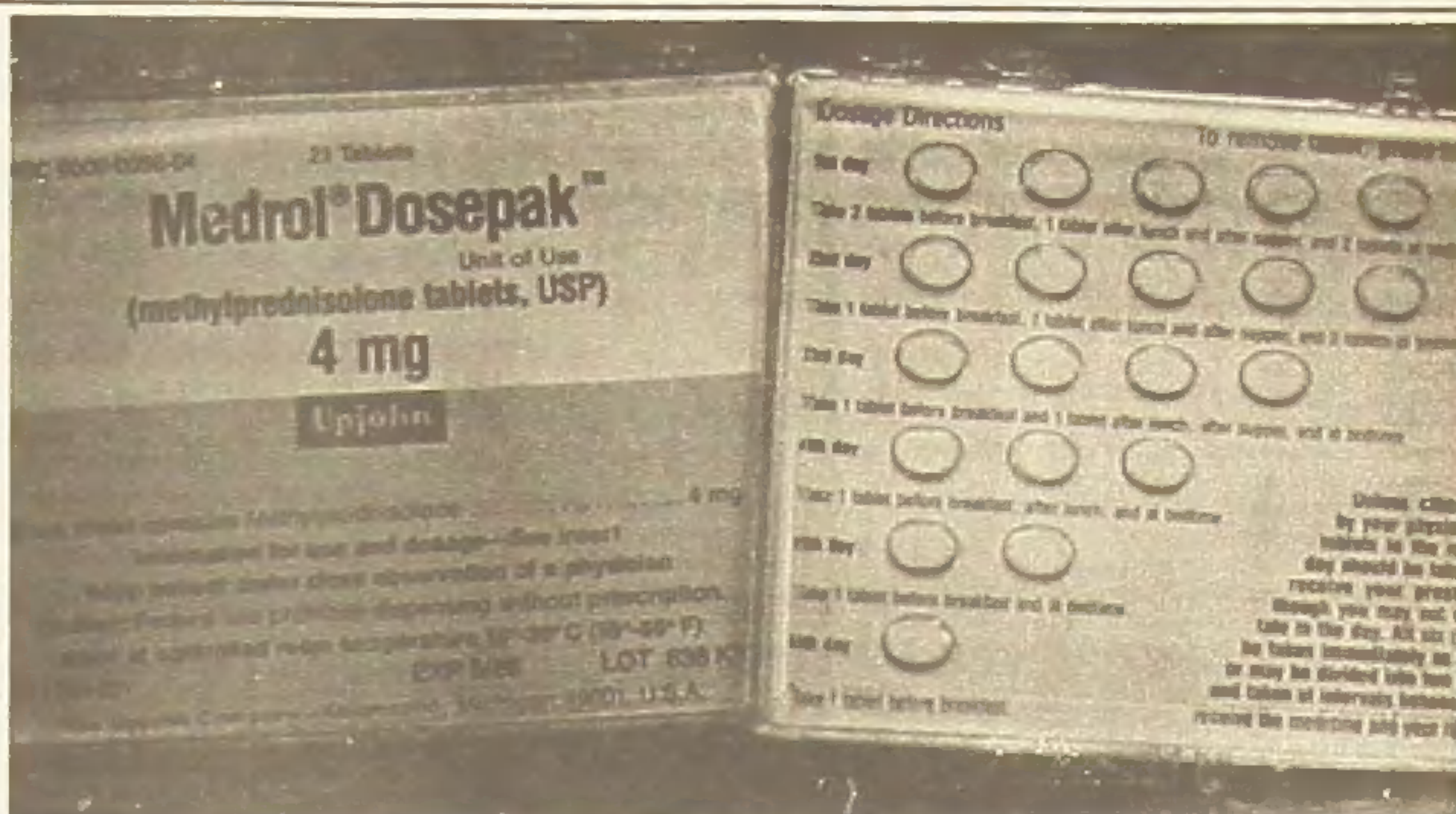
Steroids are used mostly on the national level by top athletes competing to set national records. There are very few private usages.

"The athletes are so pumped up, it helps them perform. Sometimes it [the drug] brings on depression," he said. "In heavy steroid use, no one knows what the effects are. There need to be more tests."

It "bothers" him when an athlete on steroid competes against an athlete that is not on the drug. "Why does one guy need advantage over another? Good pure work, good training habits, and good protein nutrition, make a good athlete."

In the future he sees athletes giving up on steroids or they will not be able to compete. "I read that methods on detection of the drug are 100 per cent better than they used to be," Ortolani said. "An athlete who quits before an Olympic event accomplishes part of his goal and had the advantages in the trials. If he is found taking it, he loses face, the medal, and integrity. So an athlete does not worry about laying off a couple of weeks to be detected. But there is no way to beat the system. If an athlete refuses the test, he is eliminated."

Steroid problems exist mainly in the world championships and higher competitions, not in regular meets, he said. PSU has no problem with steroids with their athletes, he added.



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Methylprednisolone: An example of a type of steroid legally prescribed in hospitals. This drug is often used in the treatment of poison ivy.

## Steroid use a controversial issue

Athletes have claimed the human natural drug steroid causes great strength in an individual, and today more and more athletes are using it.

Steroids are a group of naturally occurring substances in the body which produce a great diversity of physiological effects in the body. It is a type of fat and a colorless solid.

There are many kinds of steroids and many are used in treatment of heart diseases, rheumatic fever, arthritis, allergies, Addison's disease, and others.

Steroids that athletes use are the male hormones testosterone, produced by their own body and yet also made synthetically. Different classes of steroids can be made through pharmaceutical and chemical engineering productions.

Basic structure of steroids in the body consists of 17 carbon atoms contained in four fused ring systems.

A group of steroids, called estrogen in females, produces the menstrual cycle and a group of steroids, called androgens in males, produces spermatozoa.

The destruction or removal of steroids could result in physical

and psychological changes. Treatment will reverse the personality.

Steroids in athletics began to be used widely in the 1960's by bodybuilders, weightlifters, wrestlers, football players, and track event performers.

In massive doses, over 500 milligrams a day, it can cause certain liver damage, build up muscle tissue, speed growth, and cause ulcers. In men it can cause shrinkage of genitals and impotency. In women it deepens the voice, causes growth of facial and chest hair, broadens the shoulders, gives muscle definition, clitoral enlargement, menstrual irregularities and impairment of reproductive capacity.

In younger athletes it can cause premature bone ossification, and can stunt growth.

The first tests to detect steroids were given at the 1976 Olympics. To avoid detection, athletes stayed off the drug for a few weeks. Two American weightlifters at the Montreal games were disqualified. Blood and urine tests were used.

In 1979, an estimated 70 per cent of all top-ranked track performers used steroids, according to Chuck DeBois, coach of the 1979 National AAU and

IAIAW championship track and field.

Athletes believe steroids provide explosive power.

This summer, Ben Plunknett, who held the world record for the discus throw, was found to have traces of steroids in a urine sample. His world record was taken away. Plunknett and his coach denied using the drug, and believe the tests were tampered with.

Steroids are a major issue now because of the approaching 1984 Summer Olympic Games in Los Angeles. Many athletes will be tested for use of steroids. The Federal Food and Drug Administration is pushing for tighter regulation of the steroid drugs.

Some athletic trainers believe the use of steroids in sports will decline in the future. They say the athletes will realize that the disadvantages far outweigh the advantages, and will choose not to use the drug.

This would eliminate many expensive tests. One major problem is the use of new forms of the drug which are not detected in the tests currently used.

One such steroid is being experimented with by the Soviets, and is very difficult to detect.

## Hospitals administer 'beneficial' drug often

Though the use of steroids may be considered unfair or illegal for athletic purposes, the drug is often used for medical purposes in hospitals.

According to Ken Peterson, head pharmacist at Freeman Hospital in Appleton, the drug is frequently used in emergency situations.

"They are used quite extensively primarily as an anti-inflammatory drug," he said. "They are used for a variety of situations in the emergency

room. They are used in the treatment of fluid build-up, arthritis, and various cases with severe fluid loss. They have a multitude of uses."

Peterson said many advances have been made in the use of the drug.

"They are an older drug. Great strides have been made in the use of steroids," he said. "We've been complement drugs with the same effects, but not accompanied with the side effects."

The new complement drugs are non-

steroidal, non-inflammatory, and given orally.

Peterson said most adverse side effects from steroids do not surface until after prolonged use has taken place. Some side effects he noted were the "Cushing Syndrome," where there is a calcium loss in the bone; the redistribution of fat centers; "buffalo neck," where there is a swelling of the neck area; and the problem of easy bruising. Peterson also said the use of steroids induced severe liver problems.

The drugs, according to Peterson, are closely monitored in hospital use.

"Most steroid drugs are prescription items," he said. "They require the signature of an authorized practitioner in the state of Missouri. Dentists may also write prescriptions for certain mouth inflammations. Any other means of obtaining the drug is very strictly against the law."

When given under the prescription of a doctor, steroids are only administered for a short period of time.

"When they are used properly and closely monitored as we do in the hospital, steroids are used only on a short term basis," he said. "They are heroic, life-saving drugs. They produce a minimal amount of side effects (when used for only a short period)."

Peterson called steroids "valuable drugs with a purpose. When they are used correctly, they are great things. But when used incorrectly, they can be very dangerous, as is the case with most drugs."

## Athletic trainer feels use of steroids no problem at Missouri Southern

By Marty Oetting

Use of steroids by athletes at Missouri Southern is apparently not a problem, according to Kevin Lampe, athletic trainer.

Lampe sees no use for steroids in any athletic case.

"There's no place for them," he said. "I don't think you will find many medical people who would disagree. There really are no positive benefits, and the negative factors and side effects are too great."

lege athletic teams, said he does not agree with all reports on the use of steroids.

"Some of what they say I don't believe," he said. "They supposedly increase muscle in size and strength at a faster rate than normal, but what really happens is the person becomes more aggressive, and through this aggression [the person] increases training which produces the positive results."

Lampe said basically that the changes in athletes due to the use of steroids are "mostly psychological. As

"At the age of 35, he suffered from a fatty deposit build-up in the arteries, and could hardly walk," Lampe said. "This was directly attributed to the extensive use of steroids over a long period of time. He quit using the drug, and within two years was back on top showing as much strength as before."

Lampe said many athletes use the drug because "everyone else is, and they have to keep up with the Jones's," but said that he knows of "no supportive evidence" to indicate the drug really helps the athletes.

**"There's no place for them. I don't think you'll find many medical people who would disagree. There really are no positive benefits."**

He said he doesn't know of any students on campus that use steroids. However, if it is discovered that an athlete is using the drug, appropriate action would be taken.

"There is no firm policy that I know of, but I would be involved. We tell the athletes that drug use in any way is not to be condoned," he said.

"If this happened, myself and the head coach would immediately become involved with the athlete," he said. "First, we would have to be assured that it would not be used again, and the next step would be up to the head coach."

Lampe, who is a trainer for the col-

far as implicit advantages, there are none."

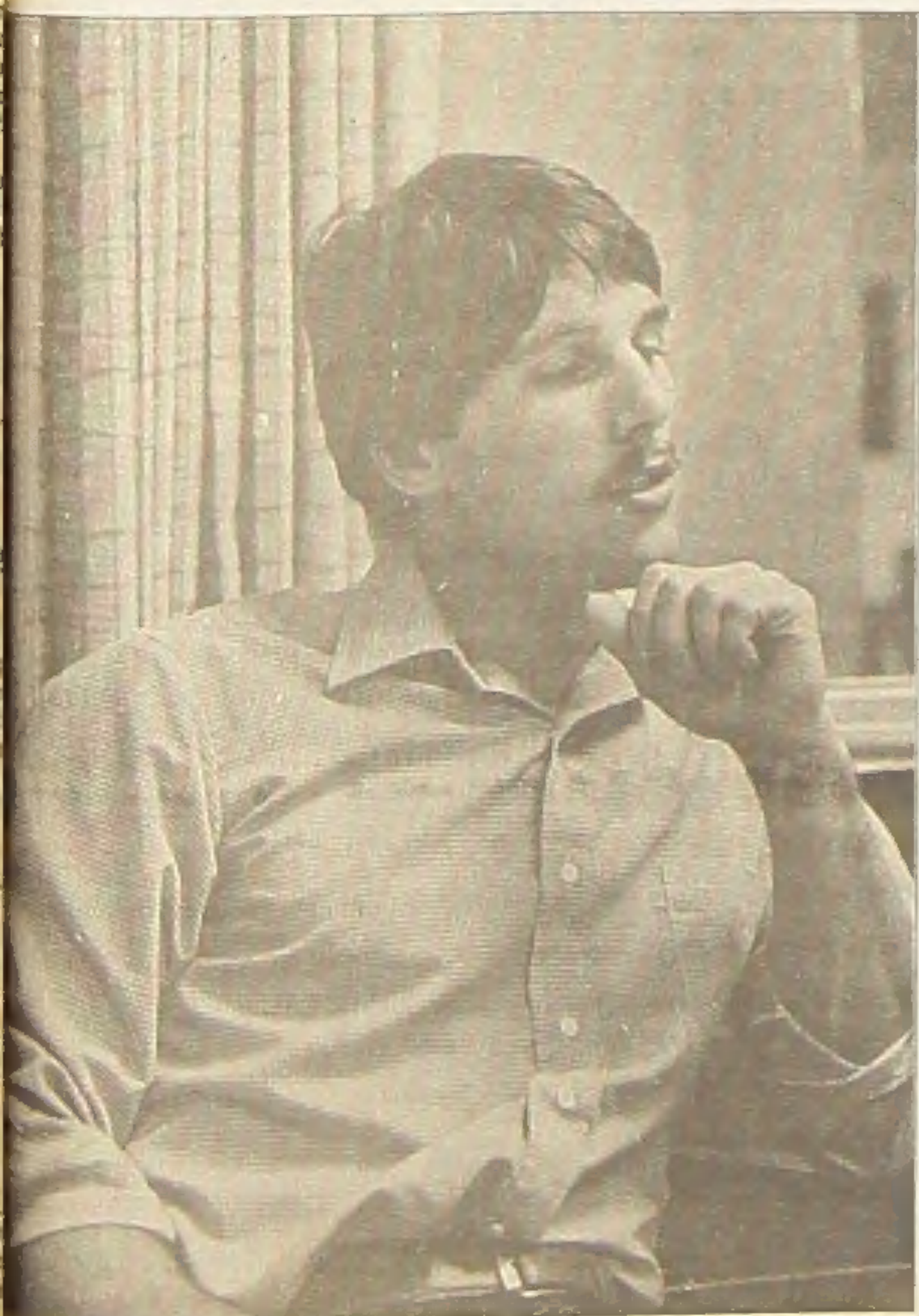
Over the years Lampe has known several athletes who have used steroids, most of whom were wrestlers and weightlifters.

"When I was in graduate school, there was an individual who was working with a program and had been Mr. Iowa," he said. "Steroids were an active part of his training. He is no longer in weightlifting. He finally realized it is better to stay away from steroids."

In another case, Lampe said he heard of a discus and shot-put thrower who was a national/world champion.

"Weightlifting and wrestling are the areas where the drug is most used," he said. "Contrary to what most people think, very few football players use the drug. It has been said that 50 per cent of all athletes in weight training use or have used the drug. There is also a high number of track and field athletes that use it. Only 15 per cent of the players in the NFL (National Football League) use the drug."

According to Lampe, steroids are "a complicated problem," and "are very costly to test for. The only way we would hear of the problem here is by word of mouth."



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Kevin Lampe



# ARTS

## Troupe to present Alcott's 'Little Women'

Show-Me-Celebration Company is currently preparing a special Christmas production. Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women" will be staged at 3 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 3, and Sunday, Dec. 4, in Taylor Performing Arts Center.

Sara Spencer adapted Alcott's story about four girls blossoming into young women. This play will depict the events, crises, resolves, and excitement which were covered in the classic novel, in a one-hour drama for children of all ages.

In this play Meg, Jo, Beth, Amy, Laurie, Aunt March, Marmee and father will come to life before the audience's eyes, by sharing with them the joys, triumphs, tears, and laughter which had been encountered by this idealized family during the Civil War era.

Trij Brietzke, who is directing the play said, "It is a great thrill to bring this 100 year old story to the stage as a

Christmas present to the area. The spirit and ingenuity of the characters, as they strive to celebrate Christmas in the midst of growing poverty and the violence of war, is indeed heartwarming for young and old alike. It's good to find that the values of a 100 year old story are still appealing today."

Duane Hunt, production associate for the theatre department, explained that "Show-Me-Celebration Company is the children's theatre wing of Missouri Southern theatre."

He said 15 years ago the theatre department, college and Joplin branch of the Association for Childhood Education (ACE) joined in a venture to produce children's theatre for the four-state area. Because it was a different production organization than the other plays, it needed another name, so a contest was held and the name chosen.

"It stands for Missouri (Show-Me-State) and the children's

play is a celebration, and company is what theatre groups are known by."

According to Hunt the Show-Me-Celebration Company is "one of the oldest continuing children's play groups in the state." *Little Women* will be the 30th production by the group, and during the past 15 years approximately 100,000 people have viewed their performances.

Hunt said, "Over the years, Show-Me-Celebration Company has presented most of the classic children's stories and fairy tales. Never before has the theatre presented a children's play in such a realistic a manner and so completely staged as *Little Women*. The production should be a wonderful holiday treat for theatre goers in the four-state area."

Brietzke said, "Last year was the first year we did a children's play at the Christmas season, and we are going to try to make it a tradition now. The

reason we selected *Little Women* is that it lends itself to a Christmas theme, and we have for sometime wanted to do a realistic play for children."

Cast members for the play are Kim Estle playing the role of Jo; Debbie Foster as Meg; Mikell Hager plays Beth. Christie Amos is playing the part of Amy; Janet Kemm is Marmee; Robert Tebow is cast in the part of Laurie; Sandy Otipoby is playing Aunt March; Larry Gazaway is cast in the role of the father; Kelly Weaver is playing the part of Hannah; Cindy Courtwright is cast as Sallie Gardiner; and Gina Rosiere plays the role of Annie Moffat.

Production crew for the play includes, in addition to Brietzke who is directing the play, Brenda Jackson, production manager; Sue Ogle and James Carter, assistant stage managers; Kyle Pierce, set designer;

Leslie Bowman lighting designer; Joyce Bowman, costume designer.

Following the 3 p.m. matinee performance Saturday,

Show-Me-Celebration Company will hold a 15th birthday reunion in the Hickory Room of the Holiday Inn.

"We have invited as many past members of the company as could reach, to come back and see the production of *Little Women* and to attend the birthday celebration," Hunt.

Members of Alpha Psi Omega, honorary theatre fraternity, will be as hosts and hostesses for the festivities. Partial funding for the reunion is being provided by the Southern Alumni Association.

Tickets for this theatre production are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12. Student ID's will not be accepted. Reserved seating will be available for groups of 10 or more.

## Alumbaugh to present recital Dec. 1

Ron Alumbaugh will present his senior recital at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, in Phinney Recital Hall.

Songs he will be singing in the recital include three German, four French, two Italian, and two English selections. He has also selected two Italian arias, and one aria in English.

"Dr. Carnine picked most of the songs for me to sing," said Alumbaugh, "and then we worked on them together."

Dr. Al Carnine, assistant professor of music, believes that being able to sing in a foreign language is an important part of communication.

"One of the keys of communicating with an audience is to sing foreign language songs in such a way that the audience is able to grasp their meanings without knowing the language," said Carnine. "Ron is a rather animated individual and certainly has

the potential to accomplish this."

Preparing for a senior recital takes a great deal of planning, and many hours of practice. "I started working on the music last semester, and worked on it all this semester," said Alumbaugh.

Holding a senior recital is a requirement for all music majors. "The senior recital encourages the students to study their music," said Alumbaugh. "For some students it will be the only solo experience of that caliber they will have."

Alumbaugh is pleased with the support he has received at Southern in his music training.

"All of the music faculty are real good, and many outside the music department have seemed to be behind me in my music," he said.

During his years at Southern, Alumbaugh has been a member of the

various different music groups within the department. He has served as president of the concert choir for two years, has sung with the Collegiate for three years, and is a member of Music Educators National Conference.

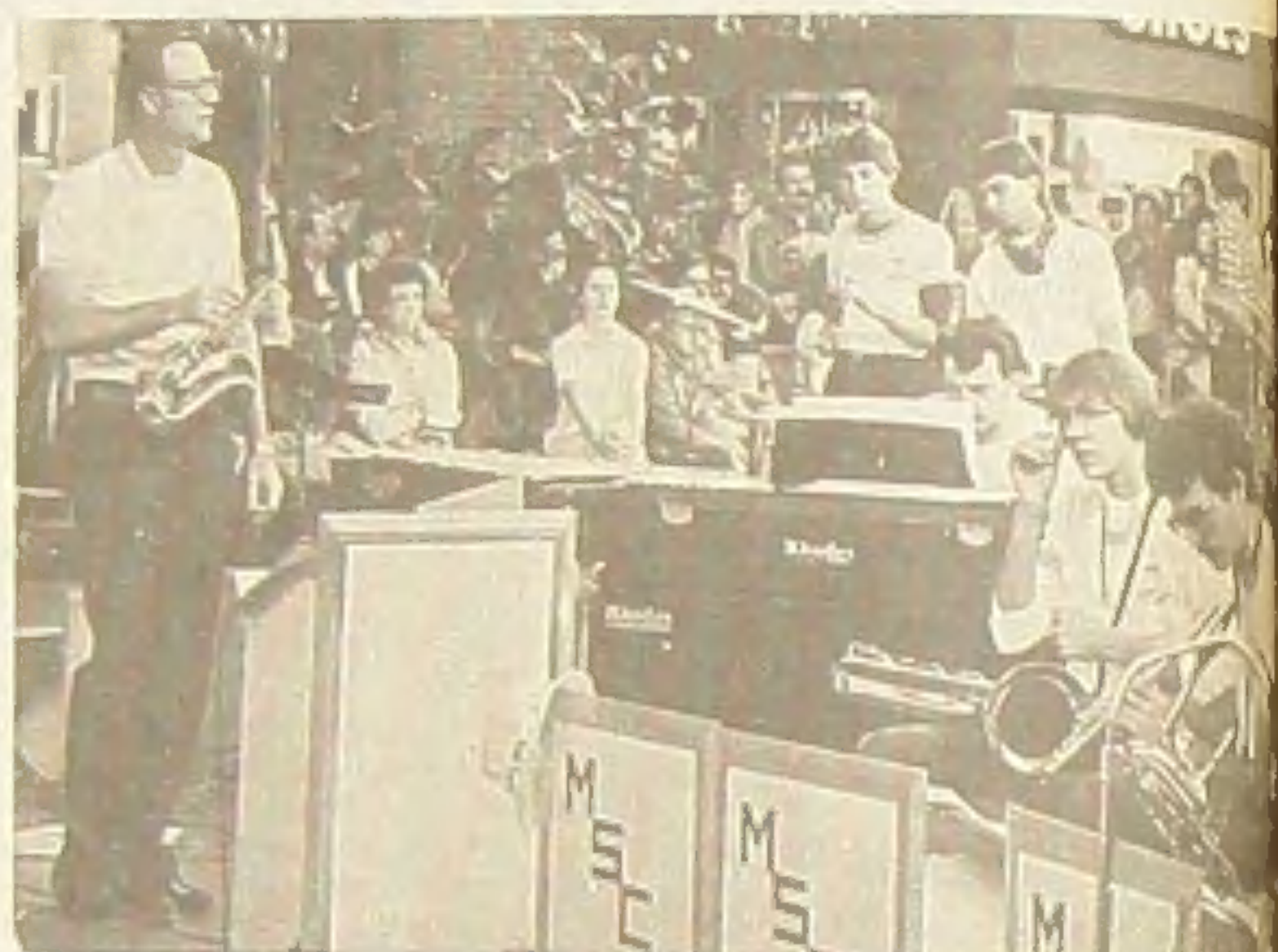
Accompanying Alumbaugh during his recital will be Shelly Hines.

"Dr. Carnine suggested that I have her for my accompanist," Alumbaugh said. "She is a real good accompanist. She has put the interpretation into the accompaniment."

Alumbaugh will be assisted by Sandra Whitehead during the recital. She will sing three songs, and then later in the program will sing an aria. Mike Moyer will be her accompanist.

Alumbaugh and Whitehead will sing a duet at the close of the recital.

The recital is free to the public and everyone is invited to attend.



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Southern's Lab Band entertained music lovers at Northpark Mall Saturday. It is its remaining appearance this semester and will appear in the Lion's Den at noon Wednesday.

## Debators place in tourney

After traveling through inclement weather for 14 hours, and arriving at its destination at 11 a.m. Friday, the Missouri Southern debate team met some stiff competition at Notre Dame.

"We debated three rounds Friday and five hours Saturday," said Richard Finton, debate coach.

"On Saturday we had 12 hours of debating, and this makes it terribly rough on the students, because all those rounds are power matched."

Some of the schools Southern competed against on the NDT (National Debate Topic), "which is policy debate," said Finton, were Seton Hall University, Wayne State, Illinois

University, Miami University, Central Michigan University, Southern Illinois University, and Notre Dame.

The team of Carmen Tucker, sophomore, and Randy Doennig, junior, had a record of 6-2 after elimination rounds. Doennig was second in the tournament on speaker points.

"We met Wayne State in the quarterfinals, and we were not paired correctly. We went ahead and debated anyway, because several of the other rounds had already started," said Finton.

"They would have had to rebracket everybody, and we didn't want to cause any more confusion."

Tucker and Doennig finished fourth, losing to Wayne State in the quarterfinals.

In CEDA (Cross Examination Debate Association) debate, Dana Frese, senior, and Michael Tosh, junior, were 5-3.

They competed against Syracuse University, Southern Illinois University, Indiana State University, Wheaton University, Air Force, University of San Francisco, University of California-Los Angeles, Miami University, John Carroll University, and the University of Michigan.

Frese and Tosh placed fifth in the

octo-finals, losing to the University of Illinois.

"We were competing against power from the east, mid-west, and west," said Finton. "I think we did very well considering that some of these teams have some of the best programs in the nation."

"We were up against the 'big boys' and we competed well against them," Finton added.

"Our school should be proud of its debate team. They have competed against national caliber teams every weekend, and we have placed in six out of seven tournaments this year."

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## Showcase to open Monday

"Southern Showcase" will be on display from Monday, Nov. 28 through Sunday, Dec. 4, in the Taylor Performing Arts Center.

Entries for the "Southern Showcase" must be in by Wednesday, at which time they will be judged.

Competition is open to all interested Missouri Southern students. Work entered must have been completed within the last year.

There is an entry fee of \$1 for each piece entered in the contest, but there is no limit to the number of entries per participant.

This contest will be judged in two

categories. Art work classified as two dimensional will include such pieces as paintings, drawings, and prints. Three dimensional will include pottery, sculpture, jewelry, and crafts.

There will be at least three winners in each category, and there will also be several honorable mentions. The artist exhibiting the piece of art judged to be the most outstanding piece will receive the "Best of the Show" award.

For further information on "Southern Showcase" interested persons may contact the art department.

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# FEATURES

## Student pursuing medical career

By Cari Howard

Connie Schmidt, local paramedic and student at Missouri Southern, isn't stopping short of her life's dream to become a physician's assistant.

Employed by the Joplin Emergency Medical Service, Schmidt, 25, is attending Southern to further pursue her medical career. She eventually plans to attend a physician's assistant program at Oklahoma City University.

Schmidt said she chose to be a paramedic as a stepping stone in her career.

"I eventually want to end up in med school, and this is good exposure to the field," she said. "As a paramedic, you are exposed to many things you cannot see working in the hospital."

Schmidt said she received the most moral support in her decision to pursue a medical career as a paramedic from fellow students.

"Those who shared my same interests seemed to understand, and therefore support me a great deal more," she said. "My family was concerned about my decision—they didn't feel it was an 'appropriate' career choice for a woman. And peers provided little support because many people have a difficult time dealing with a tragic or traumatic situation."

When Schmidt completes her education at OCU, she hopes to return to Missouri and open a free-standing clinic on the McDonald/Newton County line. She said in that particular area many persons have to travel 100 miles to the nearest hospital, and many do not receive proper care because they simply cannot afford to visit a doctor.

"I hope Missouri will recognize a physician assistant in conjunction with a doctor who cares about the people," Schmidt said.

She said that managing a medical career and a full-time schedule at Southern isn't always easy.

"A paramedic is always on call," Schmidt said. "If not technically, then in the sense that it is a moral obligation that is assumed by each paramedic."

Schmidt switches four to five hours of her shifts with another paramedic/student, John Crawford, who attends night classes at Southern.

"Time for myself is a valuable device," she said. "I need time to sort my thoughts and feelings to recognize where I am in life, why I am there, and to keep a perspective of my responsibility as a paramedic."

"I really don't have a life outside of my career—it is my life. It is a way of life and an attitude that never leaves you."

"To help others and to be in this field is what I've always wanted to do," she said. "I would do it even if they didn't pay me. I am just lucky. I can make a good living and follow my dreams in one shot."



Fahey photo

Bob Allen

## Cable manager is in 'right place'

By Paul O'Dell

Being in the right place at the right time may sound like a broken record, but to Bob Allen, manager of Joplin Cablecom, the old cliché explains his many chances to move up the business ladder.

"I've had a certain amount of luck," said Allen. "But I made myself well prepared as I could take advantage of the opportunities."

Allen received a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Howard University in 1969. He then became interested in the field of communications, but chose to take the management path instead of staying with applied engineering.

"I wanted to go into business because I felt it would give me more flexibility in a technical field," he said. "The technical training I received is not going to waste. It helps me to approach a problem systematically—step by step."

Allen received a master of business administration degree in 1971 from Northwestern University. He took a position with AT&T as a supervisor, then was hired as a faculty member for the School of Business at Chicago State University.

"I liked teaching and the intellectual

stimulation of the academic environment," said Allen. "but I was concerned about becoming stereo-typed."

Allen said his concern about being labeled a teacher eventually led him to accepting a managerial position with Pan-Oklahoma Communications, a cable system in Oklahoma City. He served eight years as general manager before taking the position in June in Joplin.

"Fortunately I have a job I enjoy," said Allen. "I like the immediate feedback from my work and the sense of achievement. I have a high achievement need."

His wife, Mary, is an associate professor of nursing at the University of Oklahoma. Allen has two children.

"My parents were college graduates," he said. "My mother and father were teachers, but my father had to give it up so that my mother could continue." There were rules prohibiting a married couple from teaching at the same school.

"So my father gave it up and became a pullman porter with the railroad," added Allen. "At that time, it was one of the best paying jobs a black could get."

"My parents gave me the best they could, and I want to do my best for my children."

## Learning a new language not an academic chore

By Pat Halverson

Learning a new language is not just another academic chore—it can be a way to have fun, too.

"Language falls into the category of the fun things in life, like music and sports," says Dr. Vernon Peterson, assistant professor of foreign languages at Missouri Southern.

Peterson teaches courses in Spanish, and in Hispanic literature and culture. He says language is not only his occupation, but his hobby as well.

"I am currently studying French for fun—it is a great civilization," said Peterson. "One of my goals is to learn one of the languages of South America, probably Zapotec."

Peterson's five children also speak

Spanish with varying degrees of fluency. They have their own band and sometimes include Spanish music in their performances. Peterson says almost anyone can learn a foreign language if he knows his own language.

He is interested in more than merely learning a particular language. He also delves into the history and cultures of the people who speak it.

"I became interested in Spanish while in the service, stationed in San Antonio, Tex.," said Peterson. "I went to a church service and tried to talk to some of the people afterward. I heard Spanish all around me. It challenged me to learn."

That interest led to a two-year stay in Mexico City, where two of his children attended school. He later lived

for five years in the border town of Reynosa, Tex. Peterson is interested in ancient Mexico and plans to visit Canada to improve his French.

Peterson's deep involvement in languages and cultures is evident in his Spanish classes at Missouri Southern. He uses a minimum of English and expresses the language in the often colorful and animated manner of the people who speak it.

Students in his classes are exposed to more than just the basics of the language. Guests are invited to speak in Spanish to the students, and slides are shown of the people and their country. Peterson says his aim is to increase the students' interest in the language by giving them a glimpse of their culture.

He believes that a college should do more than just prepare a student for a career.

"My job is to teach people, not Spanish or linguistics," said Peterson. "I want to help students focus on the meaning of their lives before they decide what to give their lives to."

"I believe that every educational institution should be addressing itself to the problems of the people of the world. We are here to learn how we can solve some of those problems, one being communication and understanding between different races and nations of people. The world is constantly in conflict because of the different value systems growing out of the different cultures."

## He takes philosophy to heart

By Deanna Dye

Leonardo da Vinci once said, "An artist is not worth his salt if he isn't better than his teacher."

This is the philosophy of teaching that Val Christensen, director of the Spiva Art Center, takes to heart.

Christensen, assistant professor of art, believes that experience is an essential part of learning.

"Down the road after the learning is over," said Christensen, "one still has the experience."

He was 11 years old when he decided to pursue an art career.

"Everyone has to be best at something," Christensen said. "I'm my best at art."

Christensen received a master of fine arts degree from Wichita State University. He was trained as a lithographer—one who makes prints. But it was after he started college that he realized he was more interested in fine art than commercial art.

That's what led him to Southern in

1979. He was offered a position where he could work with the community and still be involved with the educational process. He spends one-fourth of his time as director of the Spiva Art Center, the rest teaching.

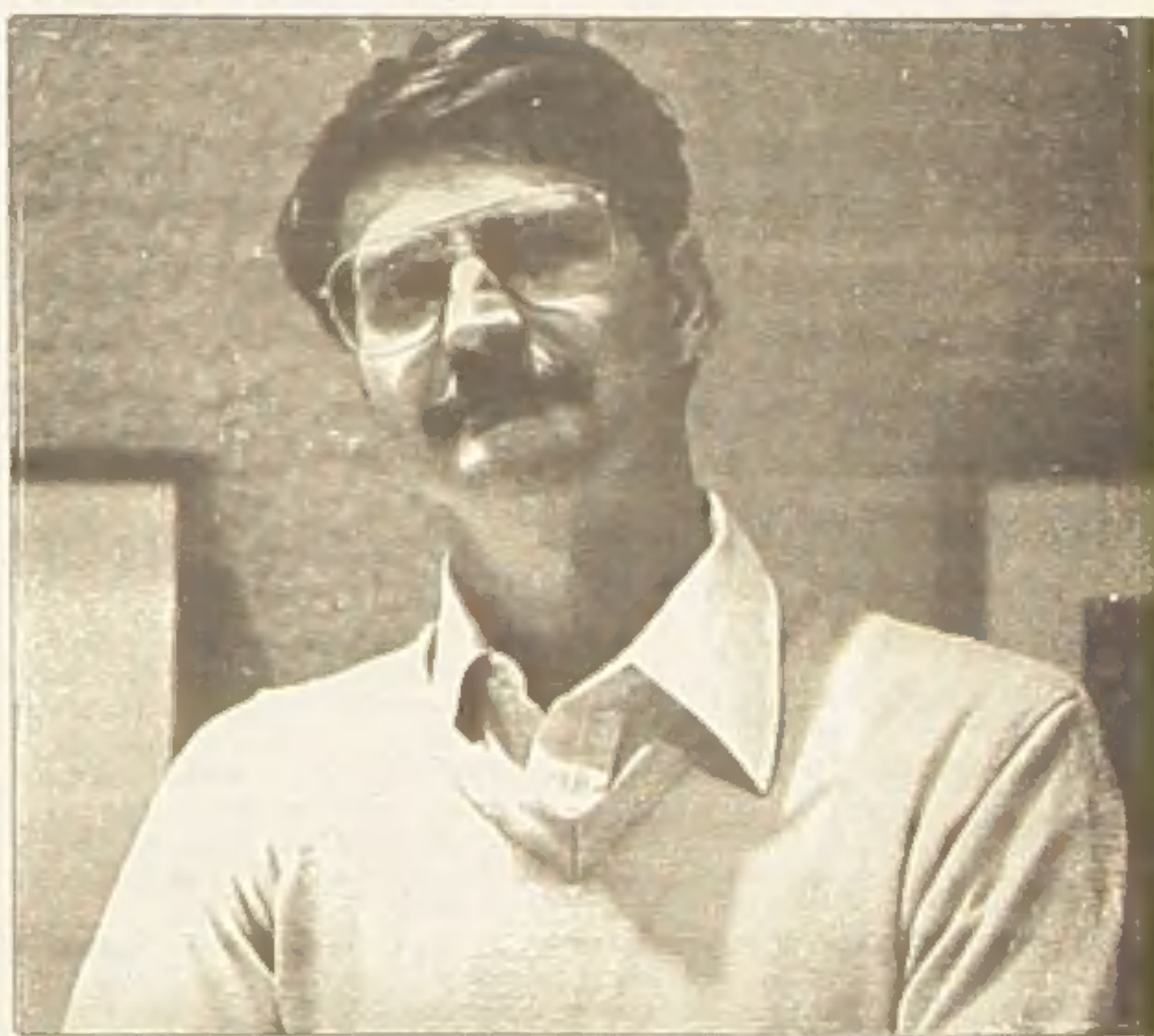
Christensen's art work is displayed at the Springfield Art Museum, Kearney State University, Hastings College, the Sioux City Art Center, and in other private collections.

He would like to become a full-time director of a community art center, museum, or gallery that is connected with a college or university.

"I would also like to put together an exhibit that would break new ground," said Christensen. "An exhibit that would be fertile ground for years to come."

A quotation from a long-forgotten folk artist has become Christensen's philosophy of life.

"Keep your mouth shut, your bowels open, and believe in Jesus!" Christensen has been following that advice for many years.



M. Kassab photo

Val Christensen

## Professor's road to Southern a long one

By Elissa Manning

"It is easier to act yourself into a new way of thinking than to think yourself into a new way of acting," says Dr. Sam Starkey, associate professor of education and psychology at Missouri Southern.

He tries to use this motto in the classroom and as a way of life. Having spent more than half his life in the education profession, Starkey says, "I can't think of anything I enjoy more than teaching."

Now in his 30th year of teaching, Starkey, 52, plans "to keep working until they fire me or I retire."

He played football and basketball while attending Southwest Missouri State University.

"I knew, however, that I couldn't do that all of my life," said Starkey. "Since I like sports so much I decided to teach them."

In 1951 he joined the Air Force and was a radio mechanic during the Korean War. Starkey returned to

SMSU in 1952 and continued his plans to become a coach and teacher.

St. Paul, Ark., High School gave him his first teaching job in 1953. "Because the enrollment was small," said Starkey, "I taught a variety of classes as well as coaching basketball."

Taking classes during the summers at the University of Arkansas became Starkey's means of continuing his education. He taught and coached at three area high schools—Pineville, Wheaton, and Anderson—during the 1950's.

"Although the schools were small, they were important parts of my education," said Starkey. "I was interested in becoming a college professor for two reasons—what one does the people with whom one does it, and the time involved."

In 1958 he was appointed athletic director, head basketball coach, and public relations representative at John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Ark.

"Before I came to John Brown they had no so-called 'athletic program,'" said Starkey. "My duties were extensive. I did all of the recruiting, scouting, coaching, publicity, and sports information. I traveled to many tri-state area high schools to boost John Brown."

He coached football and track in addition to basketball while teaching psychology, sociology, and history at College of the Ozarks in Clarksville, Ark., in 1963.

Starkey came to Joplin Junior College in 1966 to teach physical education, education, and psychology. He received an Ed.D. from the University of Arkansas in 1970.

"I missed coaching for awhile," said Starkey, "but after I really got into teaching it faded away."

He says his education has not ended yet.

"I hope to continue to learn as I teach. There is always something to learn."



Dr. Sam Starkey

Fulton photo



# SPORTS

## Basketball seasons to open for Southern

### Men to host Cardinal Newman tonight

### Women to face Alumni

By Jonathan Richardson

It's basketball season again. Carl Tyler and Danny Sawyer will lead the Lions against Cardinal Newman College at 7:30 p.m. today in Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium.

Head coach Chuck Williams has trained his squad formally since Oct. 10 and feels "ready" for tonight's season opener.

"We could be in better shape injury-wise, but we are ready for outside competition," said Williams. "There is a lot of excitement. I just hope to get out there and shake away the jitters and perform well enough to win."

Cardinal Newman is a new member of NAIA District 16 and has a "young" team, according to Williams.

Seniors Tyler, a 6-foot-1 guard, and Sawyer, a 6-3 forward, will be in Southern's starting lineup. Other starters include junior Brian Peltier, a

6-7 center; freshmen Cedric Carr, a 6-7 forward; and Stan Harris, a 6-7 guard. Greg Garton, a sophomore guard, was scheduled to start, but has a knee injury.

Williams has confidence in his substitutes.

"I'm not afraid to play any player on our team," he said. "Many of them are comparable in ability as many starters."

Williams, who is entering his seventh season at Southern, has a career coaching record of 108-70. The Lions have won 20 or more games three times under Williams, who is assisted by Ron Ellis.

"Our basic goal this year is to try to reach our potential, and improve as individuals and as a team," said Williams. "I think the players and the staff believe that we can reach the national tournament."

"Our strongest point will be our play

and shooting ability of our outside people. With a few games we will have to answer the question, 'how are we going to play inside?'" said Williams.

Tyler, who scored 804 points last season and averaged 20.4 points per game, could become Southern's all-time scoring leader this season. Tyler needs 499 points to break the record. John Thomas, who played for the Lions from 1969-72, finished his career with 1,774 points.

Southern's toughest competition includes Fort Hays State University (ranked second in the NAIA pre-season poll), Drury College (ranked 17th), and Kearney State (ranked 18th).

The Lions journey to Austin, Tex., on Saturday, Nov. 26, to meet the University of Texas Longhorns in a 7:30 p.m. contest.

Southern travels to the School of the Ozarks Nov. 28.

"We are young and have a lot of work to do," said Dr. Jim Phillips, women's head basketball coach at Missouri Southern.

"We want to represent the school to the best of our ability and, of course, would like to win every game we play."

The Lady Lions will play the Alumni squad at 7 p.m. Saturday in Young Gymnasium.

"I think it should be a real good game. They will have many excellent ball players returning—all young ladies that at one point or another were stars at Missouri Southern," said Phillips.

Southern is ranked fourth in the Central States Intercollegiate Conference pre-season poll.

"I think this is a tribute to our players. We wound up rated fifth at the end of last year."

"I think one of our weaknesses could be our young players. They could pay

off later on," he said.

Phillips believes the strongest points are teamwork, morale, and depth.

Southern's line-up will depend on who the opponent is.

"We have eight or nine people who are capable of being starters. We have substituting strength," Phillips.

The William Woods Classic, Nov. 25-26, will offer stiff competition for the Lady Lions. William Penn, William Woods, Arkansas Technical and Central Missouri State University will participate.

Southern's toughest foes will be Missouri Western, Emporia State and the University of Missouri—Kansas City.

Phillips hopes that his third year Southern will allow each player to "the best she can."

## Music helps fire up Garton

By Elissa Manning

In preparation for a game, Greg Garton turns up his stereo and begins thinking about basketball.

"Music fires me up," said Garton, a sophomore guard on Missouri Southern's basketball team.

He is not particularly selective about the type of music to which he listens.

"I'm one of the few people who can listen to Willie Nelson, then turn around and crank up Def Leppard," said Garton.

He began playing basketball in the first grade at the Boys' Club in Republic, Mo.

"I really started getting serious about basketball in the seventh grade," said Garton.

He became a varsity performer for Republic High School as a sophomore and was named to the all-conference squad. By the time he graduated, Garton had accumulated over 2,000 career points and numerous awards. He was a unanimous selection for the all-state team as a senior.

"One game that I'll always remember," Garton said, "is the one against Bolivar when I scored 54 points."

Missouri Southern then won a recruiting battle over Southwest Missouri State University and Drury College for Garton's talents.

"Coach (Chuck) Williams showed more interest in me than any other coach," said Garton. "Southern is a small school, so I figured that I'd have a better chance to play my freshman year."

Although he didn't start every game

his first year at Southern, Garton was named to the Central States Intercollegiate Conference second team and was runner-up for freshman-of-the-year honors in the league.

He predicts that Drury College in NAIA District 16 and Fort Hays State University in the CSIC will be formidable opponents for the Lions this season.

"I try not to worry too much about the other team," said Garton. "Instead, I concentrate on what I need to do and what the team needs to be successful."

Garton usually works on his basketball skills outside of team practices. "I work on my own every chance I get," he said. "I work mainly on my shooting and ball handling."

He said he admires a person who works hard all the time.

"I believe that anything worth getting, you have to work hard to obtain," said Garton.

His ultimate goal would be to play professional basketball following graduation from Southern.

"Not necessarily in the NBA," he said, "but maybe overseas. There are a lot of good teams in Europe and I'd like to travel."

Garton has not yet decided upon a major at Southern, but is considering radiology. He will also consider coaching.

"I like anything related to sports," he said, "and would like to stay involved."

"I'm working to be the best that I can be," said Garton. "I'm trying to get better all the time."



D. Massa photo

Greg Garton (No. 22) looks for an open teammate in a game last season. Garton was scheduled to be in the starting lineup for the Lions tonight against Cardinal Newman, but is injured.

## LaDonna Wilson:

## Transition to college easy for her

Since the fourth grade, LaDonna Wilson has been deeply involved with the sport of basketball. This has prepared her for the role of a college basketball player at Missouri Southern.

Wilson, 18, has lived in McDonald County all her life. As a child, Wilson said she was the typical tomboy.

"I climbed trees and you couldn't get me in a dress for anything," she said.

She shared her childhood and most of her basketball career with two women now playing collegiate basketball. Suzanne Nyander Sutton also plays for Southern, and Sue Thomas now plays for Northeastern Oklahoma A&M. Wilson, Nyander, and Thomas were dubbed the "Triplets" by an Arkansas radio station during their high school basketball career.

The "Triplets" played schoolyard basketball, and while at McDonald County High, the three girls earned all-state titles. It was a rare feat for three players from the same team to be picked for all-state honors.

She played the forward position in high school, and continues in that position with the Lady Lions.

To Wilson, the Lady Lions are more than just a team.

"The basketball team is sort of like a family," she said. "You give each other encouragement. This year I feel like I can depend on everyone else on the team. In high school, we were a real close team and I thought I'd lose that when I got to college. You need that closeness to be a winning team."

Individual qualities also figure in team success. As far as her own performance goes, Wilson said, "I like to run, I like to hustle. That is something most athletes don't like to do. I don't have to make myself hustle."

"That is something Coach Davis (McDonald County High School) told me a long time ago. He said, 'When things aren't going right, hustle'. When I'm out on the court, that is what I think about."

The idea of "hustling" is such an important concept to Wilson that it per-

vades other aspects of her life.

"That goes with everything, like studying for example. If things aren't going well, just work harder, and it will come."

The transition from high school to college wasn't hard to Wilson. "It's a lot easier than I thought it would be," she said.

A typical day for Wilson is class from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., a break to watch her favorite soap, "All My Children," and practice from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Since she lives in the dormitories, Wilson usually eats dinner in the cafeteria after practice, then spends the rest of the evening studying.

Softball, swimming, and being involved with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes are some of her other interests.

"I'm excited," said Wilson about this season. "I'm really ready to play. It's kind of a challenge. I'm looking forward to it. I'm kind of nervous, but I go out there with my head up."

## 'Impossible Dream' a reality for Ichabods

By Dave Griffith

The Missouri Southern Lions came out on the short end of the stick Saturday, losing to the Ichabods of Washburn University 24-10.

In what was billed as the "Impossible Dream," Washburn pulled off what most persons thought was the upset of the season for the championship of the Central States Intercollegiate Conference.

In a complete turnaround from last season, in which the Ichabods finished 1-9, Washburn's enthusiasm and determination proved to be more than Coach Jim Frazier's Lions could handle.

"It was the most painful loss in the history of the school," said Frazier. "It was four years of hard labor for our seniors gone down the drain. The enthusiasm and outside forces played a big part in the loss."

Washburn is ranked ninth in this week's NAIA poll. The Lions dropped to No. 10.

With over 4,000 Washburn fans in Moore Bowl, the "Impossible Dream" became a reality. "They played a super-human game," said Frazier, "and the pressure just got to us."

Southern put the first points on the scoreboard with a 37-yard field goal from Terry Dobbs, but the Ichabods came right back to march down the field behind the powerful running of Dino DeLisa, who scored on a one-yard plunge to make the score 7-3.

With just two seconds remaining

on the clock in the first half, quarterback Rich Williams connected with Bruce Long for a 33-yard touchdown strike for a 10-7 Southern lead.

Washburn, behind DeLisa, scored 17 points in the second half to take away the CSIC championship from the Lions, who finished second with a 5-2 mark.

"I was very envious of their enthusiasm," said Frazier. "We had that same enthusiasm in 1972. One young man came out of the stands then and got everyone enthused."

"Washburn had the ball control, and once again they showed a new offense that we hadn't seen this year."

The playing conditions were definitely a factor. Washburn allows its field to be used in high school games, and the field was nothing more than a quagmire with spots filled in with sand.

"We are more of a finesse team than they are," said Frazier, "but we were soundly defeated."

"We had too many penalties in the third quarter," said Frazier. "We needed to score 10 points in the third quarter, but we never got our rhythm together and it cost us the championship."

"I'm very proud of our team. They were worthy of the championship identity and it is my hope that the NAIA will consider us worthy of being in the playoffs," added Frazier.

Missouri Southern will have to wait until Sunday to find out if it has landed a post-season playoff berth.

## Southern whips Alumni squad, 90-61

Missouri Southern opened its men's basketball season unofficially Saturday night with a 90-61 victory over the Alumni squad.

In what head basketball coach Chuck Williams called "the least significant part of the activities," the game was never in doubt for the varsity.

"This was the second year of the Alumni game, and the basic premise is

to get the former players back on campus and meet with the present team and visit with the coaches," said Williams. "We want the Alumni to play a more active part in the team, and it was a lot of fun."

"It helps our current team to talk with the Alumni players," added Williams.

The Alumni in attendance for the

game included Greg Fulton, a 1971 graduate; Willie "Sweet Pea" Rogers, 1983; Bill Wagner, 1973; Jim Carter, 1972; Ken Stoehner, 1981; Ray Krough, 1970; Randy Goughnour, 1981; Tony Logan, 1971; Tom McWell, 1978; Bobby Hall, 1976; Les Stevens, 1976; Bill Brewster, 1973; Scott Schulte, 1979; Virgil Parker, 1983; and Jim Waid, 1983.



## Whittle studies 'time-of-death'

Last Saturday, Dr. Philip Whittle, director of the regional crime laboratory at Missouri Southern, and five students went to the Missouri Conservation official check-out station at the national forest in Neosho to collect deer eyes for a "time-of-death" experiment.

There are two reasons for the analysis. One is the importance to the conservation department.

"In some cases the deer are killed out of season or illegally during hunting season. In this way, we can determine when the deer died," Whittle said.

The second reason is that Whittle is interested in collecting data to help in determining human time of death.

"I have been doing it since 1974.

The potassium level is good up to 12 to 14 hours, and after death it increases. I believe there is a parallel between determining human and deer times of death," he said.

For the last two years, Whittle has worked with the conservation department on the experiments.

"We collected vitiorours humour samples from 127 deer. This is the third year of the program," said Whittle.

The samples have not been analyzed yet, but, "When all samples around the state have been collected, we will look at them and have the fluid analyzed for potassium," said Whittle.

The students that helped were: Alan Cass, Liz Kakac, Lori Rhoades, Bill Thompson, and Mitch Eddy.

## Music

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The "Lion Pride" Marching Band again done an outstanding job of entertaining the football fans who have own their appreciation with stand-ovations.

The Lab Band has (or will) perform programs on campus, in high schools, and at the Mall this semester.

The Collegiates have to be selective accepting engagements for clubs and civic organizations.

The Brass Choir is preparing a repertoire to be used in programming of pools and in the community during the second semester.

The piano majors are preparing their annual piano ensemble for Thursday, March 22, 1984, and the voice majors are to present their third annual Art Song Recital on Thursday, March 1, 1984.

The Concert Chorale presents two entertaining concerts two nights each semester. They made a three-day tour in spring presenting programs in schools.

Now that marching season is ending, the band is involved in preparing for basketball season where they make a distinct contribution to the spirit and quality of that activity. They are also doing concert music for the next semester which they will perform in programs between here and Kansas City on a three-day tour in April.

Not only is this music faculty dedicated to the college students, they desire to serve high school musicians and students. For example, year all of us set aside the hours 3-5 p.m., for three days, to cri-

tique soloists from the area high schools. We plan to do this again this year to help these students prepare for the District Music Festival.

The District Music Festival is a tremendous undertaking each year but we think having 35 high schools represented with some 1,800 students on our campus is worth all the effort it requires. Some 100 young pianists come to perform and are adjudicated on a Friday evening and the following Saturday all day. Two weeks later the approximately 1,800 students come on a Friday for the instrumental festival to play in bands, ensembles and as soloists for 19 judges, who come from the neighboring states. On the Saturday following mostly the students return for the vocal festival and are adjudicated by 14 different high school and college professional music educators.

The name of the game for musicians is performance and to be an active performer requires daily practice. Last year our faculty performed on campus, at the School of the Ozarks and at Carthage. We have an invitation to return this year to the School of the Ozarks. Two of our faculty are members of the Springfield Symphony Orchestra and are active in a brass quintet.

This year we plan to repeat another area of programming which was enriching for all of us last year. This is presenting guest artists in recital, and this spring we may have three such events as we did last year.

## Letter

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we should take, it looks to the new media for accurate, unbiased reporting of the events.

No one is doubting the accuracy of what they hear, read, and see each day through the hard and sometimes dangerous work of the nation's reporters. Unfortunately, I feel the media has taken advantage of its position as the information disseminator by biasing their reports for one reason or another. It is impossible, I realize, to do a report without slanting it in some way toward what the reporter feels. However, by the time the initial reporter slants his material and sends it to a writer who twists it a little, the story can become extremely biased. Then, in the hands of an editor who feels the same way, the item of news can become so slanted that the facts are completely covered by the personal feeling of those sending it. In the case of television, add a cameraman and a film editor who collaborate with the story editor and the nation can see Marines and Army Rangers being ripped apart while it's eating dinner.

This is news but the commentary with it does not adequately give the "other side" of the story. If the other side is addressed, it is done in sequence with photographs or other comments which make it silly or unfounded. The comment, "This Marine will not be spending the holidays with his family" while showing a pilot laying dead on a Grenadian beach is pure and simple negative propaganda, not news, trying to persuade the watchers that the United States should not get involved.

The United States is a free country with a free press which has the responsibility of reporting the news. This is the same freedom which allows the press and the rest of the media to say the things they do about the government. In the countries where we are trying to preserve the will of the people to make decisions for themselves, these freedoms were and will not be enjoyed. The existing regimes must approve every bit of news the public is given. These governments do not allow negative items to be known. Our nation's media is criticizing its own government for trying to give these other countries the same freedoms which we enjoy.

Despite the biased reports given the American public the last few weeks, Americans are overlooking the opinions of the news gatherers and rallying behind the President and the military for their actions. Once again this nation is trying to pull together and feel as one people who must make sacrifices to protect not only freedom in the world, but our very own. Military recruiters are turning enlistees away. There hasn't been this many people wanting to join the services since Iran took our hostages. Patriotism is a feeling which is all but nil in this country and we now have that chance to feel it again.

We went into Grenada, freed our endangered students, took the island from those who ruled with the threat of terror, and restored calm to a suddenly troubled nation. For years, our country

has been the subject of ridicule of what seems every little nation on earth. Well, this Super Power can say it's added one of those little countries to its list of obliged friends. Time magazine showed a picture of an American Soldier standing guard in front of a building in Grenada. On the wall of that building, some of the freed Grenadians had written those nearly forgotten words, "God Bless America."

Despite this and all the positive reaction given by the "locals" and neighboring nations, you write an editorial which totally blasts the American movement by President Reagan. To preserve our own freedom and keep our allies so that they may assist us should we need them, we must preserve the freedom of our neighbors. If we don't we will find ourselves surrounded by unfriendly governments like a heart surrounded by cancer and there won't be any "America" to send in the Marines at the last minute. The polls have shown that your opinion as stated in the editorial is in a small minority and that Americans are ready to stand up and fight and back the President of the United States of America.

I feel your editorial can be best summed up in the words of Mr. Fred Barnes of the Baltimore Sun when regarding "the principle that seemed to guide journalists here and everywhere else"—If you don't have anything good to say, let's hear it."

Greg Kepler



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